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RESOLUTION TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT FLORIDIANS' RIGHT TO SECRET BALLOT CLEARS HURDLE

~Resolution Would Protect Workers from Harassment and Intimidation~

TALLAHASSEE, FL – House Majority Leader Adam Hasner (R-Delray Beach) today lauded the passage of House Joint Resolution (HJR) 1013 in the Governmental Affairs Policy Committee. The resolution calls for a Constitutional amendment which would preserve and protect one of American's most precious voting rights – the right to a secret ballot. Hasner issued the following statement:

"Floridians cherish their right to cast their vote in secret. This resolution would enshrine this right in the Constitution and preserve and protect Floridians' privacy to cast their vote by a secret ballot. Indeed, the act of casting a secret ballot is so fundamental to our democracy that even the House Democratic caucus voted for their new leader using a secret ballot. It is the most basic of democracy's principles.

"It's disturbing to see a political effort in America to deny a worker's right to a secret ballot. Today, Floridians' right to a secret ballot is under attack and must be protected. Let me be clear – this is not an anti-union proposal. It is a pro-worker protection proposal. Intimidation and harassment are wrong whether coming from a union boss or a management boss. With a secret ballot – Florida's workers are the boss."